

The Federal Communications Commission

Dear The Federal Communications Commission,

I do not want to pay more for my telephone service! I urge you to reject a flat fee proposal that would change how contributions are made to the Universal Service Fund. I am concerned that this proposal could make my current service unaffordable.

Under the flat fee proposal you are considering, people who make few long distance calls would pay the same as people or businesses that make many calls. In other words, low-volume and primarily rural or low-income residential customers would bear the same universal service fund burden as a high-volume residential or business customers. This is unfair, considering there are businesses who set up Remote Call Forward paths at a monthly rate to circumvent Long Distance charges all together! These businesses are the ones who have once again found a "Loop Hole" that the basic residential consumer can not employ.

I use my wireless and home phone for safety, security and convenience. I don't want my family to lose these benefits so that big businesses can continue to increase their profit margins at the cost of my families house hold budget.

Paying the same rate based on usage is the only just solution.

I urge you to reject the proposal to move the USF collection system to a flat-fee.

Keep the USF Fair and Just!

Sincerely,

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